

INFLUENZA VACCINATION RECOMMENDED FOR MORE AMERICANS THAN EVER BEFORE

*Leading Health Experts Urge Annual Influenza Vaccination for 250 Million People;
Also Stress Importance of Pneumococcal Vaccination in High Risk Populations*

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- 10:00 – 10:05 Introduction/Welcome**
William Schaffner, MD, President-Elect, National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) & Chairman, Department of Preventive Medicine, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine
- 10:05 – 10:10 New Expanded Recommendations Demonstrate Need to Use Full Immunization Season; Trends Show People Stop Getting Vaccinated Too Early**
Julie L. Gerberding, MD, MPH, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- 10:10 – 10:20 Reformulated Vaccine for Upcoming Season Expected to Provide Protection**
Daniel B. Jernigan, MD, MPH, Deputy Director, Influenza Division, CDC
- CDC Data Show Significant Public Health Benefit of Vaccination to Protect Against Influenza; Good Hygiene Practices and Antiviral Use Beneficial Against Viral Infection**
- 10:20 – 10:25 Age-based Pediatric Recommendations Present New Opportunities in Childhood Immunization**
Renee R. Jenkins, MD, President, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- 10:25 – 10:30 CMS Efforts to Increase Vaccination Rates**
Kerry Weems, Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
- 10:30 – 10:35 Pneumococcal Vaccination Key in Reducing Vaccine-Preventable Hospitalizations and Death**
Kristin L. Nichol, MD, MPH, MBA, Professor of Medicine at the University of Minnesota and Associate Chief of Staff for Research at the VA Medical Center in Minneapolis
- 10:35 – 10:40 Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccination Critical to Ensure Health and Wellness of 50+ Americans**
Cora L. Christian, MD, AARP Board of Directors
- 10:40 – 10:45 Surveys Show Need for Physicians to Embrace their Role as Immunization Advocates**
Ardis D. Hoven, MD, Secretary, Board of Trustees, American Medical Association (AMA)
- 10:45 – 11:00 Closing Remarks/Questions and Answers**

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